

EXHIBIT A

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1:25-md-03143-SHS-OTW, Dkt. 47	5/18/25	N/A	Coordinated Depositions	OpenAI and Microsoft	Plaintiffs (News and Class Plaintiffs)	<p>Defendants' Position: Defendants propose that all parties to the consolidated proceeding continue discussions regarding deposition coordination, and request a deadline of June 13, 2025 by which they must submit an agreed deposition protocol, or if agreement cannot be reached, competing proposals for resolution by the Court at the next discovery conference. Most importantly, each witness—whether defense, plaintiff, or third-party—should testify one time in a single, coordinated deposition attended or represented by all parties seeking to question the witness; this was one of the primary reasons the JPML instituted the MDL. <i>See</i> Transfer Order at 3 (noting that the parties “have been unable to agree on a deposition coordination protocol to eliminate duplicative depositions of defense witnesses”). As Defendants have previously argued, absent a coordination protocol, witnesses would be required to sit for multiple, duplicative depositions on the same legal and factual issues. <i>See, e.g.,</i> NYT Dkt. 382. Total hours, and per-witness hours limits (for 30(b)(1), 30(b)(6) and apex witnesses) are also necessary to ensure a feasible, fair, and efficient discovery process in this consolidated proceeding.</p> <p>News Plaintiffs' Position: Plaintiffs respectfully ask the Court to set a deadline of June 5th for the parties to submit final proposals for a deposition protocol. The parties (including class plaintiffs) were close to resolving all of their disputes, as reflected in the deposition protocol term sheet the parties jointly prepared during the March 7 settlement conference in Court. Plaintiffs are preparing a revised proposal to account for the newly centralized cases and additional plaintiffs who will be participating in these depositions.. To the extent the parties cannot reach full agreement, the parties should submit competing letter briefs and proposals on June 5th, which is the same day the parties have separately agreed to submit competing proposals for other discovery protocols, such as an omnibus protective order. <i>See</i> Dkt. 47 at 64.</p> <p>Class Plaintiffs' Position: Class Plaintiffs incorporate by reference News Plaintiffs' Position on this point and further refer to their position set forth in the joint CMC Statement, Dkt. 47.</p>
1:25-md-03143-SHS-	5/18/25	N/A	Coordinated Discovery & Related Deadlines	OpenAI and Microsoft	Plaintiffs (News and Class Plaintiffs)	<p>Defendants' Position: Defendants propose that the parties meet and confer regarding a process for coordination of all Plaintiffs' discovery requests to Defendants, and request a deadline of June 13, 2025 by which the parties must agree to a coordinated process for service of any such discovery requests or submit competing proposals for resolution by the</p>

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						<p>Plaintiffs and Class Plaintiffs <i>each</i> should serve one coordinated set of discovery requests” (emphasis added)). This approach is consistent with the parties’ agreement (including Defendants’ agreement) to appoint separate leadership counsel for the News Cases and the Class Cases. <i>See Times</i> Dkt. 564 at 2, 29. Because News Plaintiffs and Defendants are in agreement on this issue, there is no reason to impose Defendants’ requested June 13 deadline, at least for the News Cases.</p> <p>Class Plaintiffs’ Position: Class Plaintiffs respectfully ask that the Court set a deadline of June 5th for the parties to agree on a coordinated discovery process or submit competing proposals for resolution by the Court. This is aligned with the schedule that Class Plaintiffs proposed in the joint CMC statement, Dkt. 47, shown below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last day to file stipulated or opposed discovery protocols and letter briefs in support, if applicable (including deposition protocol, protective order, training data inspection protocol, and potentially including an ESI protocol and/or source code protocol): June 5, 2025 • Last day to Serve or File Consolidated Class Action Complaint(s): June 10, 2025 • Substantial completion of document productions for requests issued prior to 5/22/2025: June 24, 2025 • Last day to serve additional written discovery or propound additional custodians/search terms (absent good cause): July 29, 2025. <p>Contrary to Defendants’ claim and as set forth in detail in the CMC statement, this schedule allows for discovery to proceed in a coordinated process without delay and Plaintiffs will continue to coordinate discovery as they have done in the past.</p>